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**MANCHESTER MAN SENTENCED ON FEDERAL  
COCAINE DISTRIBUTION CHARGES**

**Re: United States v. Mark Cayer**

**CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE:** United States Attorney Tom Colantuono and NH State Police Colonel Gary Sloper announced that **Mark Cayer**, date of birth 7/14/61, of Manchester, NH was sentenced yesterday on federal cocaine distribution charges.

On May 8, 2003, CAYER entered his guilty plea before U.S. District Judge Paul J. Barbadoro to an information charging him with possession with intent to distribute cocaine. Today, Judge Barbadoro sentenced CAYER to serve 70 months in prison, followed by a three-year period of supervised release, during which Roberts' behavior will be monitored by the U.S. Department of Probation. CAYER also forfeited over \$52,000 to authorities.

CAYER was arrested by State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit detectives on October 28, 2002, after delivering quantities of both powder cocaine and cocaine base, also known as "crack cocaine," to a cooperating State Police informant. A subsequent search of a Manchester "stash house" utilized by CAYER resulted in the seizure over \$52,000 in apparent drug proceeds. A search of CAYER's vehicle and a Manchester hotel room used by CAYER resulted in the seizure of additional quantities of cocaine and cocaine distribution materials.

U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated, "This case demonstrates our office's commitment to the aggressive prosecution of drug traffickers, including the street-level cocaine dealers operating in Manchester and New Hampshire's other larger cities. This office will continue to commit federal resources to these efforts."

The conviction resulted from an investigation conducted by the N.H. State Police Narcotics Investigation Unit. The prosecution is being handled by Assistant United States Attorney Joseph N. Laplante, the Lead Attorney for the District of New Hampshire in the New England Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force ("New England OCDEF").